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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: BRIEFING ON NAMIBIAN TALKS

REF: STATE 141820

SUMMARY: WESTERN AMBASSADORS BRIEFED GABONESE PRESIDENT BONGO
JUNE 24 ON NAMIBIAN TALKS ON BASIS CAPETOWN 969. BONGO
WELCOMED PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN SECOND REOUND AND EXPRESSED
SUPPORT FOR FIVE POWER APPROACH TONEGOTIATED SOLUTION.
END SUMMARY.

1. US GERMAN AND FRENCH AMBASSADOR (CANDA AND UK NOT
REPRESENTED HERE)(7MET WITH PRESIDNET BONGO MORNING, JUNE 24
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AND MADE DEMARCHE ON NAMIBA ON BASIS PAPER DEVELOPED BY
CONTACT GROUP IN CAPETOWN. FRENCH AMBASSASDOR, SENIOR
MEMBER OF GROUP, MADE PRINCIPAL PRESENTATION.

2. ONLY QUESTION RAISED BY BONGO WAS WHETHER ADAMIISTRATOR
TO BE APPOINTED BY SAG WOULD BE BLACK OR WHITE.
WE TOLD HIM WE ASSUMED SOUTH AFIRCNAS WOULD PROBABLY

NAME WHITE ADMINISTROATOR, BUT REAFFIRMED THAT ADMINISTROTORS
ACTIONS WOULD BE SUBJECT TO CLOSE SCRUTINY
AND APPROAL OF UN REPRESENTATIVE. PRESIDNET APPEARED
SATISFIED WITH EXPLANATION, AND RAISED NO FUTHER
QUESTIONS.

3. BONGO COMMENTED THAT SOLUTION ALONG LINES PROPOSED
BY CONTACT GROUP AND SAG APPEARS TO HIM BEST WAY TO
AVOID "SECOND ANGOLA" IN NAMIBIA. HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT
SIMILAR FORMULA COULD BE FOUND FOR RHODESIA WHERE FEUDING
AMONG CONTENDING LIBRATION MOVEMENTS RAISED SPECTRE OF
CIVIL WAR ONCE INDIEPENDENCE IS ACHIEVED. IN THIS REGARD,
HE ASKED ABOUT SWAPO REACTION, AND WAS TOLD ON BASIS
STATE 145067 AND LUSAKA 1772 THAT SWAPO, WHILE NOT
COMPLETELY HAPPY WITH LATEST PROPOSALS, HAD NOT REJECTED
THEM OUTRIGHT.

4. COMMENT: BELIEVE WE CAN COUNT ON BONGO TO SUPPORT
NEGOTIATED SOLUTION ALONG LINES WORKED OUT BY CONTACT
GROUP, AND TO USE HIS INFLUENCE WITHIN OAU TO AVOID
ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS WHICH WOULD HAVE EFFECT OF
FORECOLSING SUCH OPTION. STEGIMAN

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